CLAIMS

1. (Original) A moisturizing hairdressing apparatus comprising:

a main unit for generating steam to moisturize one's hair; and,

a handpiece movably attached to said main unit, wherein said handpiece is provided with

a steam injecting unit for injecting steam supplied by said main unit and

a negative ion injecting unit for injecting negative ions, such that injection of either steam or negative ions, or simultaneous injection of both can be selected.

2. (Original) The moisturizing hairdressing apparatus as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:

a switching mechanism for selecting either a first mode of injecting at least one of steam and negative ions while a switch remains held, or a second mode of selecting continuous injection or suspension of injection by another touch of the switch.

3. (New) A treatment apparatus comprising:

a steam generating unit,

an operating unit for controlling said steam generating unit,

a hand piece moveable relative to said steam generating unit,

an ion generating unit positioned in said hand piece and controlled by said operating unit,

a trigger switch positioned in said hand piece, said trigger switch being in electrical communication with said operating unit, and

an applicator head positioned in said hand piece, said applicator head further comprising:

an ion injection unit in electrical communication with said ion generating unit, and

a steam injection unit adjacent said ion injection unit, said steam injection unit being in hydraulic communication with said steam generating unit,

wherein said operating unit selectively controls said ion injection unit and said steam injection unit so that activating said trigger switch causes said operating unit to direct said applicator head to emit one of steam, ions, or a combination of steam and ions.

4. (New) The treatment apparatus of claim 3 wherein negative ions are generated by said ion generating unit and emitted by said ion injection unit.

5. (New) The treatment apparatus of claim 3 wherein said ion generating unit is integrated into a hand grip portion of said hand piece.

6. (New) The treatment apparatus of claim 3 wherein said ion injecting unit is comprised of a needle component disposed in a tubular holder.

7. (New) The treatment apparatus of claim 3 wherein said steam is projected parallel to said ions so that said steam and said negative ions are both emitted from a common nozzle cap on said hand piece.

8. (New) The treatment apparatus of claim 3 wherein said operating unit is located on said steam generating unit.

9. (New) The treatment apparatus of claim 3 wherein selecting steam on said operating unit and activating said trigger switch causes said operating unit to power a heater to heat a liquid reservoir in said steam generating unit so that said steam is communicated to and emitted by said steam injection unit.

10. (New) The treatment apparatus as described in claim 9 wherein said operating unit controls a level of liquid in said liquid reservoir.

11. (New) The treatment apparatus of claim 9 wherein said steam injection unit comprises a cavity having a downwardly slanting face so that liquid condensing in said cavity is returned to said liquid reservoir.

12. (New) The treatment apparatus of claim 3 wherein said hand piece is connected to said steam generating apparatus by a flexible hose.

13. (New) The treatment apparatus of claim 3 wherein said operating unit further comprises a control panel.

14. (New) The treatment apparatus of claim 13 wherein said control panel and said operating trigger switch are manually controlled.

15. (New) The treatment apparatus of claim 14 wherein said control panel includes visual signals indicating whether said apparatus is functioning abnormally.

16. (New) The treatment apparatus of claim 3 further comprising a selecting switch on said applicator head, said selecting switch allowing said apparatus to continuously emit one of said steam, said ions, or said combination of steam and ions.